



United States Department Of Commerce
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
National Marine Fisheries Service
Northeast Region
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Dear Federal Northeast Seafood Dealer Permit Applicant:

Enclosed is a *Federal Northeast Seafood Dealer Permit Application* for permit year 2004. A list of the species that require a federal Northeast seafood dealer permit (NE dealer permit) are listed on the reverse side of this letter. All dealers of species covered under a federal Fisheries Management Plan (FMP) which are harvested from the EEZ, must have been issued and have in their possession, a valid NE dealer permit for that species. All dealers must submit detailed purchase reports electronically, with the exception of dealers holding only a NE dealer permit for American lobster and/or Atlantic tunas (see enclosed dealer reporting requirements). Atlantic tuna dealers who purchase or receive bluefin tuna have separate reporting requirements. Call (978) 281-9140 if you have questions regarding bluefin tuna reporting.

- ☐ **Existing dealers** (section 1 below) - If you already have a NE dealer permit, enclosed is a pre-printed application.
- ☐ **New dealers** (section 2, reverse side) – If you are a new seafood dealer and have not been issued a NE dealer permit previously, an initial NE dealer permit application is enclosed.
- ☐ **Federal regulated species** (section 3, reverse side) – If you purchase any of the species listed in section 3 which are harvested from the EEZ, you must have a NE dealer permit.

Section 1

Information for existing dealers on renewing permits

To renew your NE dealer permit or to make a change to your existing NE dealer permits you must submit a complete application to Northeast Permits Operations. Enclosed is a pre-printed application which is based on the most recent NE dealer permits issued to you.

- ❖ To **add** a fishery not currently held, mark an "X" next to the desired fishery permit on the application.
- ❖ To **cancel** a fishery which you currently hold, write "cancel" next to each fishery permit that you wish to cancel.

Instructions for completing the NE dealer permit renewal application are enclosed. In most cases, the answers to commonly asked application questions can be found in the instructions.

Application requirements

You must submit a complete and accurate application. All required purchase reports must be received and accepted by the Fisheries Statistics Office before we can issue you a NE dealer permit. We will notify you by mail if your application is not complete or required landing reports have not been received. You will have 30 days from the date of the incomplete application notification to submit a corrected application. If you do not submit a corrected application within 30 days of the notification letter, Northeast Permits Operations will consider the application abandoned.



Section 2

Information for new dealers (initial applications)

To apply for NE dealer permits you must submit an initial application to Northeast Permits Operations. Enclosed is an initial NE dealer permit application along with detailed instructions for completing the application. In most cases, the answers to commonly asked application questions can be found in the instructions.

Application requirements

You must submit a complete and accurate application before we can issue you a NE dealer permit. We will notify you by mail if your application is not complete. You will have 30 days from the date of an incomplete application notification to submit a corrected application. If you do not submit a corrected application within 30 days of the notification letter, Northeast Permits Operations will consider the application abandoned.

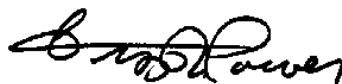
Section 3

List of regulated species requiring a NE dealer permit

American lobster	Northeast Multispecies continued -	NE Skate continued -
Atlantic bluefish	Atlantic Cod	Clearnose skate
Atlantic deep-sea red crab	Atlantic halibut	Little skate
Atlantic herring	Haddock	Rosette skate
Atlantic mackerel	Offshore hake	Smooth skate
Atlantic sea scallop	Ocean Pout	Thorny skate
Atlantic tunas -	Pollock	Winter skate
Atlantic bluefin tuna	Redfish (ocean perch)	Squids -
Albacore tuna	Red hake (ling)	<i>Illex</i> squid
Bigeye tuna	Silver hake (whiting)	<i>Loligo</i> squid
Skipjack tuna	White hake	Ocean quahog
Yellowfin tuna	Windowpane flounder (sand dab)	Scup
Black sea bass	Winter flounder (blackback)	Spiny dogfish
Butterfish	Witch flounder (grey sole)	Summer flounder
Monkfish	Yellowtail flounder	Surf clam
Northeast Multispecies -	Northeast Skate complex	Tilefish
American plaice (dab)	Barndoor skate	

Follow the instructions carefully. Failure to meet all of the requirements of the application could delay the issuance of your permit. If you have further questions regarding your dealer application, contact Northeast Permits Operations at 978-281-9370.

Sincerely,



Gregory R. Power
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Enclosures